

SUBMARINE F-1 SUNK AND NINETEEN DIE

Rammed By F-3, Craft Proves Coffin For Nearly All Crew

COMMANDER SAFE

No Details Given Out As To How Or When Sister of Fated F-4 Met Her End

WASHINGTON, December 19 — (Delayed) — Another of the F-class submarines, sister of the F-4 which went down off Honolulu harbor in March of 1915 with the loss of all on board, was lost on Sunday as the result of a collision. This was the F-1, which was rammed by the F-3, going down with nineteen of her crew.

No details of the accident, with the exception of the fact that Lieut. Alfred E. Montgomery, who was in command of the F-1, and four of his men were saved. The others of the crew of twenty-three were drowned when the vessel sank.

It is not announced where the accident occurred in which another of the fated F submarines was lost with her crew, nor had it been known definitely here that any of these submarines had been put back into active service. When the F-1, F-2 and F-3 sailed from Honolulu, leaving the bones of the F-4 in the ooze at Pearl Harbor, it was announced that they were to be taken to Mare Island to be completely refitted and overhauled.

It seems probable that the accident happened at some point off the Pacific Coast, inasmuch as it is known that the F boats were at the Mare Island station as late as April, when war was declared.

The F-3, which sent her sister submarine to the bottom, according to the latest available naval list, was commanded by Lieut. W. M. Quigley.

Locally, the F group of submarines were known among the naval enlisted men as "hoodoo" ships. The four had a series of accidents while on the Honolulu station, culminating in the loss of the F-4 through defective batteries.

SUGAR ROW GROWS HOTTER EACH DAY

Babst Protested Against Ruling Shutting Him Out—Hoover Must Wait Turn

WASHINGTON, December 19 — (Associated Press)—Charges and counter-charges are flying between the factions which have developed as a result of the efforts of the food administration to regulate the prices and the distribution of sugar. The senate committee on manufactures is investigating the various allegations made against the sugar commission and the sugar administrator of the food commission, the main witness before the committee yesterday being Earl D. Babst, president of the American Sugar Refining Company, between whom and some of the independent refiners there has been strife during the past few weeks.

The American Sugar Refining Company has been pushing the sale of its two and five-pound carton packages of sugar, which has been attacked as unfair by other refiners on the ground that five-pound packages resulted in an unequal distribution when many grocers were placing a two and three-pound limit upon sales of bulk sugar. Explained in Secret

Mr. Babst, in the public hearing before the committee, was not permitted to make any statement, but was limited to replying to such questions as were asked by the committee. At the close of the hearing he voiced a vigorous objection to this, demanding that he be allowed to make a complete statement of the American position. The committee then went into executive session, when Babst is understood to have been allowed to talk as he would.

Food Administrator Hoover was yesterday again denied permission to respond from the witness stand to the allegations of unfairness filed by Claus Spreckels, which charges were repeated from the witness stand. Mr. Hoover had explained that he desired to make a reply and claimed that it was unfair to him that Mr. Spreckels' charges and claims should go out unanswered. Senator Reed, in refusing to permit Mr. Hoover to take the stand yesterday, said that he would have to wait his turn and could make his explanations when he was called upon.

CONDEMNED MEN GET AHEAD OF HANGMAN

GALLUP, New Mexico, December 18 — (Associated Press)—Manuel Chavez and Silvestre Silva, two condemned Mexican murderers, hanged themselves today in the county jail.

Politician And Boss Gambler Shot

By His Divorced Wife

Frank Daroux Seriously Wounded By Notorious "Tessie Wall," Who Says She Did It Because He Broke Her and Left Her Penniless

SAN FRANCISCO, December 19 — (Associated Press)—Frank Daroux, politician, gambler and one of the most notorious characters of this city, was shot and dangerously wounded last night by his divorced wife, Mrs. Tessie Wall, Daroux.

Daroux recently obtained a divorce from his wife, after a long and bitter fight in the courts. This was followed by another legal battle in which Mrs. Daroux attempted, unsuccessfully, to obtain a substantial share of Daroux's property.

After the shooting Mrs. Daroux said in explanation: "He broke me and left me penniless."

Daroux was married to Tessie Wall when she was proprietor of the most notorious house of ill fame in San Francisco, which she ran for many years. Daroux himself is notorious as a big gambler and has for many years been recognized as an important factor in local politics.

Recently, however, he has had a falling out with those with whom he formerly worked, and his political power has suffered a serious setback, while his gambling enterprises have to a considerable extent come under the disapproval of the police.

The Daroux divorce case was one of the most sensational ever tried in a San Francisco court, charges and counter-charges being freely made by both parties.

All Federal Office Holders Should Pay Tax On Salaries

House of Representatives Adopts Resolution That Would Make Everybody From President To Post Collector Pungle Up Part of Pay

WASHINGTON, December 19 — (Associated Press)—That all federal office holders, from President to post collector, ought to pay income tax upon their salaries, the same as other salary earners, is the sense of a resolution passed in the house yesterday by a large majority.

The resolution which carried said that members of congress, judges on the federal bench and all other federal employees should have their salaries taxed. This resolution will be taken up for consideration of amendments to the income tax and war revenue measures when these are reported out for amendment.

On motion of Senator Cummins of Iowa, the senate yesterday ordered a thorough investigation to be made of the recommendations proposed by the interstate commerce commission for the solving of the difficulties. The investigation, according to the terms of Senator Cummins' motion, is to be made by the senate interstate commerce committee.

HARRIS QUIT BECAUSE OF LACK OF AUTHORITY

WASHINGTON, December 18 — (Associated Press)—In a statement today Edward Hurley, chairman of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, said that Admiral Harris, who on December 1 succeeded Admiral Capps as manager and who is now retiring, wanted to move the corporation's headquarters to Philadelphia and also wanted to carry out, independent of consultation with the board, plans for \$12,000,000 housing operations. Hurley suggested that he consult the directors. Harris felt that he was acting with insufficient authority and asked for relief. The general situation, Hurley maintains, is excellent. The ship tonnage either being built or contracted for is 8,350,308.

FIRST WOMAN AS NAVY ELECTRICIAN

The first woman to enlist in the navy as an electrician has joined the Colors. She is Abby Putnam Morrison and she is now an "electrician, first class," in the navy. She is a member of the wireless class for women, of which Mrs. Herbert Sumner Owen is the founder and director. Divisions of this class are detailed to Hunter College, the Mareconi Radio School and to the Young Men's Christian Association.

RAILROAD UNIFICATION PLAN ADVANCES A STEP

WASHINGTON, December 18 — (Associated Press)—Senator Sterling of South Dakota today introduced a joint resolution authorizing the President to appoint a director of freight traffic for the United States, under the railroad unification plan.

GERMAN BOMBS ARE DROPPED ON LONDON IN BIG AIR RAID

Essex Coast and Kent Visited By Hostile Airmen, a Few of Whom Reach Capital

NO REPORTS MADE OF DEATHS OR DAMAGE

Italians Throw Back Heavy Infantry Drives Against North Salient, Germany Losing

LONDON, December 19 — (Associated Press)—An air raid, in which a large number of German machines participated, was carried out against the Essex coast, a number of Kentish towns and London last night. The machines were greeted as soon as they had crossed the coast line with a heavy fire, despite which a number of the raiders penetrated some of the outer districts of London, dropping bombs.

The city anti-aircraft defenses drove the raiders off before any serious damage is believed to have been done, but no official reports of casualties or damage have been as yet received. There are no details of the damages in Essex or Kent, if any was inflicted, nor have any announcements of the destruction of any of the German planes been made, if any were brought down.

ITALIANS REPULSE HUNS

Despatches from Rome report the repulse of heavy Austro-German attacks against Monte Solarolo salient, on the Asiago front, yesterday. The Tenth Army launched their infantry under a heavy barrage, following a bombardment of the Italian lines, but in no instance did the attacking infantry reach the Italian trenches. The Hun loss is reported to have been heavy.

Weather conditions are unfavorable to infantry actions along the French and British fronts and there was no fighting on the west yesterday except with the artillery.

HIGH OFFICERS OF ARMY GET ORDERS

Brigadier Generals Assigned To Commands—One Made Major General

WASHINGTON, December 19 — (Associated Press)—Important assignments of high army officers were announced by the war department yesterday. It was also announced that one brigadier general had been promoted to major general.

Brig. Gen. Hermann Bell is assigned to the command of the Eightieth Infantry Brigade of the Fourth Division, which is stationed at Fort Kearney, about fifteen miles north of San Diego.

Brig. Gen. George H. Cameron, who only a few months ago was a colonel of cavalry, is promoted to major general and assigned to command a new division of the Regular Army.

Brig. Gen. Bernard D. Irwin, who resigned a few months ago as executive of the war, is assigned to the command of the First Field Artillery Brigade of the Forty-first Division, relieving General Lervey, who is ordered to Washington for duty.

The Forty-first Division is at Camp Fremont, near Charlotte, North Carolina.

Maj. Gen. George W. Goethals, who resigned a few months ago as executive of the federal shipping board following his controversy with William Denman, is again called into active service and detailed as acting quartermaster general of the army.

ITALY CALLS MORE MEN TO THE COLORS

New Contingents Will Help Drive Hun Back

ROME, December 19 — (Associated Press)—The Italian government yesterday issued a call for new contingents to join the Colors. The government has decided that Italy must put all her available man power into the field to stem the tide of the Hun advance, and the call for new contingents is a part of the program that has been mapped out by which Italy hopes to hold the Austrians back off Indian soil.

SHRINERS' BAG OF FLOUR GOING UP

BUTTE, Montana, December 18 — (Associated Press)—Continuing on its triumphal way, the Shriners' bag of flour which has traveled to Honolulu and back again, was last night sold by Bagdad Temple, Butte, for \$7,100, breaking all records for a single sale for the benefit of the Red Cross. The sack of flour has now raised \$15,038. From Butte it goes to Rawlins, Wyoming.

HUN SUBMARINE SAVES TWO MEN OF DESTROYER

AMSTERDAM, December 19 — (Associated Press)—Two American sailors of the destroyer Jacob Jones, sunk last week by a Hun submarine, were saved by the German submarine, according to an official announcement made yesterday.

KERENSKY BOBS UP SERENELY AGAIN

Deposed Premier of Russia Reported Leading An Army Against Bolsheviks

COPENHAGEN, December 18 — (Associated Press)—Former Premier and Minister of War Kerensky of Russia, who dropped from sight when he was driven from power by the Bolsheviks, has again appeared, this time as a combatant in Russia, according to a dispatch today from Haparanda, Sweden.

Kerensky is reported to be in the vicinity of Petrograd with some thousands of troops at his back, and to be attacking the Bolshevik forces, which are making counter-attacks upon his army.

Meanwhile, actual peace negotiations have been launched by Tanton diplomats, according to a delayed despatch from Petrograd.

Foreign Minister von Kuhlmann of Germany and Foreign Minister Count Tschirch of Austria have notified Premier Trotsky of Russia that they will have notified the ambassadors of the Allied countries that an armistice has been arranged and that peace negotiations are intended to follow immediately.

Trotsky asked the Allied ambassadors whether they would participate in this conference. The ambassadors say they have received no such communication. They have met informally with one decision as to what their action will be.

ATTEMPT TO KILL GOVERNOR MYSTERY

No Clue Found To Those Who Blew Up Executive's Home

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 18 — (Associated Press)—Investigation by many officials and detectives, public and private, of the explosion which last night wrecked the executive mansion, occupied by Governor Stephens and family, has so far failed to uncover a single clue to the perpetrators.

Conditions in which the wrecked building was left indicate that the job was done with loose dynamite, to which a short fuse outside the wall was attached, the fuse being lighted outside and carrying a train of sparks to the explosive inside.

Governor Stephens calmly inspected the damage, after the terrible explosion, his courage unshaken, and remained on the premises for the balance of the night. The explosion occurred shortly after midnight and is believed to be part of a plan to assassinate the governor.

ISLANDS PROSPEROUS, GOVERNOR REPORTS

The Islands have been unusually prosperous during the last year, says the Governor in his report to the secretary of the interior. He also hopes there will be no friction between the laborers and the plantations, as the bonus system tends to serve all fairly.

The report says total commercial bank deposits as of December 31, 1916, were \$22,486,524.31, and savings bank deposits as of June 30, 1917, \$10,205,400.70 showing a substantial increase over preceding years. The legal limit of the territorial indebtedness is \$16,234,404.

PROHIBITION SURE OF PASSAGE IN SENATE

House Amendment To Resolution Overwhelmingly Adopted

WASHINGTON, December 18 — (Associated Press)—By a vote of forty-three to eight and without a roll call the senate accepted the house amendment to the prohibition resolution and thus assured its immediate passage. Seven years is placed as the limit for adoption of the constitutional amendment by the state legislatures.

HOUSE TO VOTE ON SUFFRAGE JANUARY 10

WASHINGTON, December 18 — (Associated Press)—The rules committee of the house today agreed to bring the suffrage resolution before the house for a vote on January 10.

NORMAN ROSS INSISTS ON BECOMING A FLYER

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18 — (Associated Press)—Norman Ross, swimming champion and late private in Uncle Sam's military police at Camp Lewis, is here to learn the rudiments of flying. Norman wanted to be a flyer all along, but was drafted and ordered to Camp Lewis. It was at the northern camp that Norman finally completed his arrangements for a transfer, and he has been ordered to report at Berkeley today. After six weeks of theoretical study he will be ordered either to the Southern California school or "over the top." Ross is looking particularly fit.

FICKERT WINS BY BIG MAJORITY IN RECALL ELECTION

Attempt To Oust District Attorney Fails At End of Hotly Contested Campaign

CASE HAD ASSUMED NATIONAL IMPORTANCE

Official Asserted His Conviction of Bomb Murders Was Cause To Unseat Him

SAN FRANCISCO, December 19 — (Associated Press)—Charles M. Fickert, district attorney of San Francisco County, came out victorious yesterday in the election held under a petition for his recall. He won by a big majority, snowing under his opponents, Charles A. Sweigert and Frank P. Hayes.

The attempt to recall Fickert had assumed national interest, partly on account of the nature of the defense made of him by his friends, but more largely because of the fact that former President Roosevelt came to his aid and in an open letter denounced those who were attempting to recall him.

Specific Charges
The specific charges against Fickert, as contained in the recall petitions were that "he has failed to appreciate the duties and responsibilities of his office, and has been guilty of violating the standard of conduct demanded of him by the Supreme Court of California" and that "he is not conducting the office of district attorney in the interest of justice and to the satisfaction of the people of San Francisco."

District Attorney Fickert has recently attained national prominence as prosecutor of the alleged bomb plot murderers. Of those accused of causing the death of ten persons on July 22, 1916, during a preparedness parade, Fickert has secured the conviction of two, including Thomas Mooney, who is now under sentence of death.

Mooney was an I. W. W. and known throughout California as a labor agitator. He had previously been charged with dynamiting "Railroaded."

Mooney's friends charged that he was "railroaded" by Fickert. The labor unions of San Francisco aided the bomb plot defense financially. It was after the conviction of Mooney that petitions for the recall of the district attorney were circulated.

Fickert hotly denied that he was actuated by any other motives than those of justice in prosecuting Mooney and his alleged confederates. The contest that ensued quickly passed beyond local bounds. Newspapers throughout the country, and magazines as well, took the matter up and the controversy became national in its extent.

Several persons were indicted by the grand jury in connection with the signing of the recall petitions. They were later released.

For several years, almost ever since he assumed office, Fickert has been under fire, but until the circulation of the recall petitions no definite charges were published against him. When ever he has run for office he has won by handsome majorities.

The injection of the Roosevelt letter into the recall campaign added fire to it and served to call the attention of the whole country to the controversy. Roosevelt warmly championed Fickert's cause and charged that pro-Germanism was back of the attempt to have him removed from office.

Fickert is a graduate of Berkeley and was a famous football man while in the university.

MANY AVAILABLE FOR UNITED STATES GUARD

WASHINGTON, December 18 — (Associated Press)—It is announced that former United States soldiers between forty and sixty years of age are acceptable for membership in the proposed "United States Guard" for home defense.

Hard to Shake Off That Backache

The daily grind is made ten times worse when afflicted with lame back, sharp, darting pains, headache, dizziness and annoying kidney difficulties. If you want to shake it off before there's danger of gravel, dropsy, or Bright's disease use Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. They are praised the world over by thousands who have had relief from those exact troubles.

"When Your Back is Lame—Remember the Name." (Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and the no other). Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers, or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., or Hanson-Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands. (Advertisement)

CANADA GOVERNMENT WINS SAFE MAJORITY

OTTAWA, Canada, December 18 — (Associated Press)—The Dominion government in the general elections yesterday has won the safe majority of forty-eight seats with three doubtful. The votes of the soldiers overseas still to be received cannot alter the general result.

BERLIN WANTED CHINESE AID IN CARRYING OUT INDIAN REVOLT

Secret Treaty Whereby Berlin Guaranteed China Against Japanese Aggression Attempted According To Evidence In Plot Trial

CHINESE WERE TO RISE AGAINST BRITISH

Scheme Disclosed In Code Messages Which Passed Between Hindu Leader and Berlin Committee—Deciphered Telegrams Presented

SAN FRANCISCO, December 19 — (Associated Press)—That Germany was scheming to secure Chinese help in her plan to foment a revolution in India, the details of which were being worked out in the United States and the Philippines, was brought out in the evidence at the trial of the alleged neutrality plotters yesterday.

The evidence disclosing this alleged plot showed that one issue was to effect a secret treaty between Peking and Berlin, based on which Germany was to guarantee China against any Japanese or other aggression for a period of five years from the termination of the war.

CHINESE TO FIGHT

In return, China was to furnish a large number of Chinese to be sent into India, these to rise when the signal for revolt was given and to join forces with the Hindu revolutionists. Arms for these Chinese were to be smuggled into India and distributed.

The details of this secret treaty were disclosed in a number of code messages, presented in evidence by the prosecution, which messages are alleged to have passed between Chakravarty, one of the defendants, and a committee of German officials in Berlin.

MAVERICK'S WANDERINGS

Testifying for the government yesterday, Harcharan Das declared that a number of Hindus in 1915 went in the steamship Maverick to Socorro island where they were to await another vessel for transshipment to India. This vessel never arrived, so they returned and burned their revolutionary literature, fearing search by the British.

The mate of the Maverick rescued fragments of the literature and these were today introduced as evidence.

OUTPUT OF FLOUR IS TO BE REGULATED

Sixteen Million Bushels of Wheat Will Be Saved

NEW YORK, December 19 — (Associated Press)—The milling division of the food administration has announced a series of new regulations affecting the milling industry, prescribing what degree the output of flour must bear in relation to the amount of wheat ground. The output will be less, but there will be appreciably less waste product from the milling, with the flour approximating to a slight extent the whole wheat product.

It is calculated that the new restrictions will mean a saving during the present crop year of sixteen million bushels of wheat.